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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 30 December 2005, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 30 March 2006 to 30 June 2006.

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